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SHANG-HAI USES SUBSTITUTES  
TO CIRCUMVENT BLOCKADE

Shanghai, 7 Aug 40, (NCNA), -- Many state industries in Shanghai and its environs are having considerable success with domestic substitutes for imports cut off by the blockade.

The East China Telecommunications Bureau has substituted other machines for the former foreign rapid-transmission machines with no loss of efficiency and a monthly saving of 960 rolls of paper tape worth nearly a million yuan. The Bureau has shifted from the use of imported oil for generators to other oils or is using hand generators, with a monthly saving of 1,100 gallons of gasoline and lubricating oils.

The Shanghai Transportation Company, a heavy user of gasoline is now successfully experimenting with kerosene and charcoal.

The Tseng-hsing-t'ai Automotive Repair Works is rushing the change-over to charcoal gas installations for equipment of the Pu-tung Construction Company, The Shang-hai Land Transport Company, The Shang-hai Lighterage Company and others. The transformed vehicles have been performing as well as those operated by gasoline.

The Shang-hai Central Chemical Company's rubber department, after a month's experimentation, is turning out fan belts. Formerly all fan belts were imported.

Many industries affected by the blockade are receiving government aid to convert to other lines.

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The Hang-chou Trading Corporation has been operating T'ien-hsing and Min-shang silk and cotton production of cotton goods. The Trading Corporation has with these factories to exchange yarn for cloth to overcome raw material and marketing difficulties.

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